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Dear Sir:

This is a response to a request for file an additional fee for the for the preliminary amendment for U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADAPTIVE REAL-TIME SIGNAL PROCESSING, ANALYSIS, QUANTIFICATION, COMPARISON, AND CONTROL by inventor Alexei V. Nikitin of 2124 Vermont St, Lawrence, Kansas, Application No. 10/679,164. Enclosed please find the following:

A check for the fee in the amount of \$9.00, a postcard confirming receipt of the fee,  
a copy of the filing receipt, and a copy of the reply notice

Pursuant to a telephone conversation with the Initial patent Examination Division on July 22, 2004, it was confirmed that the enclosed notice only requires the submission of a fee, no other parts were found deficient, and no extension of time is required to file this \$9.00 fee.

Correction to Filing Receipt: The title of the invention includes the word "Adaptive" ahead of the words "Real-Time" as shown above. See attached marked-up filing receipt. Also, applicant is unaware of the alleged inconsistency in the priority data provided.

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Sincerely,

Date July 22, 2004

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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

## Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 06/21/2004 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 04/23/2004 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application. Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$9 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$9 for a Small Entity

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$9

- \$9 for 18 total claims over 20.

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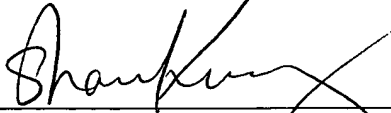
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